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All claims are allowable. However, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution is SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY from the date of this letter.

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